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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): DUGAN, et al.

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For: MULTI-COMPONENT FIBERS, FIBER-CONTAINING  
MATERIALS MADE THEREFROM AND METHODS OF MAKING  
THE FIBER-CONTAINING MATERIALS

Group: 1771

Examiner: J. Befumo

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AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

August 14, 2001

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 14,  
2001, please amend the above-identified application as  
follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-8, 22 and 55-60 without prejudice  
or disclaimer, and amend the claims remaining in the  
application as follows:

9. (Amended) Fiber-containing material made from a  
plurality of multi-component fibers, each multi-component  
fiber including at least first and second segments, the first  
and second segments being made respectively of a first polymer  
material and a second polymer material different from the  
first polymer material, the first polymer material having a  
higher melt temperature than that of the second polymer  
material, the first and second segments having been at least